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### National Park Firefighters Return Monday From California

PAGO PAGO, American Samoa—On Monday, the National Park of American Samoa's 16-person wildland fire crew will return to American Samoa after an over 30-day assignment in Northern California.

"We are anxious for our crew to return home safely," said Acting Superintendent Steve Gibbons. "They've worked hard under dangerous conditions to help fight fires in California."

The fire crew, which departed American Samoa on August 13, will be greeted Monday night by their national park family.

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*About the National Park of American Samoa. The national park was established in 1988 to preserve the coral reefs, tropical rainforest, archeological and cultural resources, the habitat of fruit bats, and to provide educational opportunities for visitors and residents. National park lands and waters are leased from villages and the American Samoa Government through a long-term agreement with the National Park Service.*

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